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SOUTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

-v-

Case No. 15-20040

TASHUN YVONNE WHITE,

Defendant.

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JURY TRIAL
EXCERPT

BEFORE THE HONORABLE JUDITH E. LEVY
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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MR. GILMER-HILL: Yes, your Honor. The Government calls Nicholas Hale.

THE COURT: Okay.

Thereupon,

N I C H O L A S H A L E ,

having been called as a witness and having been first duly sworn testified as follows:

THE COURT: Thank you. Then you can have a seat right in our witness box.

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. GILMER-HILL:

Q. Good afternoon.

A. Good afternoon.

Q. Could you please state your name and spell your last name?

A. Nicholas Hale, H-A-L-E.

Q. And Mr. Hale, do you know an individual who goes by the nickname D?

A. Yes.

Q. And do you know his real name?

A. Derrick.

Q. Were you in -- how do you know D?

A. As an acquaintance.

1 Q. Were you involved in drug trafficking with Derrick?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And showing you what has previously been marked and
4 admitted as Government's Exhibit 1F1. Can you tell us, please,
5 is the person depicted in 1F1 the Derrick, the person who you
6 knew as D or Derrick?

7 A. Yes, it is.

8 Q. This -- and you mentioned that you were, in fact, involved
9 in a drug trafficking conspiracy with D, correct?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. And you were, in fact, charged with the drug trafficking
12 conspiracy, substantive count of drug trafficking, and a money
13 laundering conspiracy; isn't that correct?

14 A. That's correct.

15 Q. You were arrested originally in relation to those charges
16 back in February of 2010, correct?

17 A. Correct.

18 Q. At the time of your arrest, you provided a statement to
19 the officers on scene?

20 A. I'm sorry. Could you --

21 Q. The day that you were arrested, did you talk to the police
22 officers who arrested you?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Did you later provide a more full statement with an
25 attorney present representing you during a meeting with law

1 enforcement agents and a representative from the Government, a
2 prosecutor, myself?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And that meeting, that was a debriefing, correct?

5 A. Yeah.

6 Q. And did you receive a letter agreement that governed that
7 meeting?

8 A. Yes, I did.

9 Q. And do you remember receiving that letter and going over
10 it with your attorney?

11 A. Yes, I do.

12 Q. And that letter agreement required -- provided you certain
13 protections with regard to what use would be made of the
14 information that you shared during the meeting as long as you
15 were honest, correct?

16 A. Correct.

17 Q. As long as you were honest during the meeting, then the
18 statements you made wouldn't be used to prosecute you further?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. And at some later point in time, did you, in fact, plead
21 guilty to the drug conspiracy charges, the marijuana
22 conspiracy, and the money laundering conspiracy charges that
23 were against you in an indictment?

24 A. Yes, I did.

25 Q. And was that pursuant to a Rule 11 plea agreement?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And was that pursuant to a cooperation agreement?

3 A. Yes.

4 Q. And the Rule 11 plea agreement was an agreement that you
5 reviewed with your attorney?

6 A. Yes, it was.

7 Q. And your Rule 11 plea agreement and in fact at your plea
8 hearing itself, in each of those instances the maximum amount
9 of prison time that you could face was discussed?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. And within your Rule 11 plea agreement there was also
12 reflected an agreed upon guideline range that the attorneys had
13 calculated as what your sentencing guideline recommendation
14 based upon the sentencing guidelines themselves would be?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Do you remember that? Being told that the judge wouldn't
17 be bound by that, but that those would be the guidelines that
18 the attorneys agreed applied to you?

19 A. Correct.

20 Q. And your agreed upon guideline range was 87 to 108 months.
21 Do you remember that?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. And in addition to pleading guilty pursuant to the Rule 11
24 plea agreement, you also had a cooperation agreement, didn't
25 you?

1 A. Yes, I did.

2 Q. The cooperation agreement essentially required you to be
3 willing to meet with law enforcement and Government agents to
4 discuss and interview further about your participation in the
5 drug trafficking conspiracy and the money laundering
6 conspiracy?

7 A. Correct.

8 Q. And the cooperation agreement also required you to be
9 willing to testify if called upon about your involvement in
10 those events --

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. In the drug conspiracy and the money laundering
13 conspiracy?

14 A. Correct.

15 Q. The cooperation agreement didn't require you to just help
16 convict somebody, did it?

17 A. No.

18 Q. Did the agreement require simply your honest and truthful
19 testimony regardless of outcome?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. And that cooperation agreement basically said that if you
22 did those things, then the Government would take that in
23 consideration as to whether it might make a recommendation to
24 the judge to further take that into consideration and possibly
25 sentence you to something less than the range that was in your

1 plea agreement?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. But there were no guarantees about that?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. And there was a possibility that she wouldn't do that
6 regardless?

7 A. Right.

8 Q. So is that what you intend to do today, to testify
9 truthfully?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. So let's talk a little bit further about some of your
12 interactions with D. In relation to the drug trafficking that
13 you were doing, you and Mr. McWherter were essentially
14 transporting money and marijuana; is that correct?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Was there -- and for the most part you were transporting
17 the money from the Detroit area to Arizona near Phoenix and the
18 marijuana from that same area back to Detroit?

19 A. Correct.

20 Q. Was there ever an occasion where you were asked to
21 transport money to Atlanta?

22 A. Yes, there was.

23 Q. Who asked you to transport money to Atlanta?

24 A. D.

25 Q. When D asked you to transport the money to Atlanta, did D

1 tell you why he wanted you to transport the money to Atlanta?

2 A. To purchase a couple of vehicles. Specifically Mercedes
3 Benzes.

4 Q. And did you transport money to D in Atlanta?

5 A. Yes, I did.

6 Q. So approximately when was it that D asked you to transport
7 the money to Atlanta?

8 A. I believe November or December.

9 Q. Had you made any trips to Arizona in proximity to D's
10 request for you to take money to Atlanta?

11 A. Yes. Prior to that. I was -- we came back from Arizona.

12 Q. Okay. And do you remember approximately which year it was
13 when D in around November or December asked you to do this
14 after the transporting marijuana back from Arizona?

15 A. I believe '08.

16 Q. In relation to your arrest, do you have any recollection
17 as to how far prior to your arrest it was that you were asked
18 to transport money to Atlanta?

19 A. Like within a year or something like that.

20 Q. Okay. The money that you transported to Atlanta and gave
21 to D, where did you -- where were you when you received the
22 money to transport to Atlanta?

23 A. At my house.

24 Q. In metropolitan Detroit?

25 A. Yes. Harrison Township, Michigan.

1 Q. Who provided you the money to transport?

2 A. D.

3 Q. How was the money packaged that D gave you? Well, first,
4 was the money packaged at all?

5 A. Yeah. He had it in a bag but it was -- the money was like
6 in an airtight bags, like Ziplock -- not Ziplock. Airtight.

7 Q. Airtight?

8 A. Yeah.

9 Q. Was it vacuum sealed?

10 A. Vacuum sealed. Thank you.

11 Q. So when money was provided to you to transport to Arizona
12 to purchase marijuana, how was that money packaged?

13 A. Similar vacuum seal or it was miscellaneous bills. But
14 majority of time, vacuum sealed.

15 Q. Who provided you the money to transport to Arizona on
16 those occasions?

17 A. D.

18 Q. And would you please tell the jurors what happened when
19 you transported the money to Atlanta to deliver to D?

20 A. I just -- me and my girlfriend at the time went down to
21 Atlanta and got a room at the W casino or I'm sorry. The W
22 hotel. And at that time I made arrangements to meet with D.
23 He met me in the parking garage. And at that time I
24 transferred the money in a bag to D at that time.

25 Q. Okay. And did you -- did D say anything about whether he

1 had any other vehicles in Atlanta? Let me rephrase. Do you
2 know whether D had any -- already had any vehicles in Atlanta
3 before asking you to bring the money for him to purchase the
4 Mercedes?

5 A. Yeah. He said he stored his vehicles in Atlanta.

6 Q. Did D say how many vehicles he intended to buy with the
7 money that you were transporting?

8 A. I believe he said two or three.

9 Q. And do you know approximately how much money you
10 transported to D?

11 A. No, not -- I don't know exactly how much. A large sum,
12 but I don't know exactly what it was.

13 Q. And how many vacuum sealed bags was it that you were given
14 to bring to D down in Atlanta?

15 A. Again, there was multiple. But I couldn't put a number on
16 it.

17 Q. Multiple bags to purchase multiple vehicles in Atlanta?

18 A. Right. He had multiple vacuum sealed bags in one bag that
19 he gave me to purchase, you know, two to three Mercedes.

20 Q. Thank you.

21 MR. GILMER-HILL: No further questions for this
22 witness actually, your Honor.

23 THE COURT: Oh, okay. Mr. Jordan.

24 MR. JORDAN: Thank you.

25 CROSS-EXAMINATION

1 BY MR. JORDAN:

2 Q. Mr. Hale, you worked for -- and when I say you worked for
3 D, would it be fair to say that D was kind of the head of this
4 drug trafficking enterprise?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. You worked for D for about how many years, about two or
7 three?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. During that period of time two to three years, you made
10 what about \$2 million, \$3 million?

11 A. I'm sorry. Who made that?

12 Q. Did you make about \$2 million during that period of time?

13 A. No. I don't know, but I didn't make that much, no.

14 Q. But you made money each time you went from Michigan to
15 Arizona and came back from Arizona to Michigan, right?

16 A. Correct.

17 Q. How much money did you make on average?

18 A. It varied. About 40,000.

19 Q. About 40,000. Were you making the same amount as
20 McWherter?

21 A. No.

22 Q. He made more than you?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Is it any particular reason why he made more?

25 A. He was doing it and knew everything about it and asked me

1 to -- if I would drive to and from Arizona to Michigan.

2 Q. So did Derrick recruit you or did McWherter recruit you?

3 A. McWherter.

4 Q. So it wasn't Derrick that first came to you, it was

5 McWherter that came to you and said, hey, you want to make some
6 extra money? Something like that?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. And then how long after that before you met Derrick or had
9 you already met Derrick?

10 A. No, I hadn't met Derrick until I met through jimmy.

11 Q. Okay. So Jimmy meets you first. By the way did you and
12 Jimmy work together?

13 A. Yes.

14 Q. How many years?

15 A. Months. Before --

16 Q. Just a couple of months?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. But when he approached you, obviously he must have felt
19 comfortable, right?

20 A. Correct. I knew him prior as a friend.

21 Q. Oh, you knew him as a friend prior to you and he ever
22 working together?

23 A. Correct.

24 Q. And where did you guys work together when you worked

25 together legitimately? Did you have a job where you guys were

1 customizing or something?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. What was that?

4 A. Prototype.

5 Q. So how does it happen? Does he come to you one day and
6 say, hey, do you want to make some extra money? What does he
7 say?

8 A. Yes. Something like that. It was pretty much, like to
9 make some extra money. This is what I do on the side. You
10 wouldn't have to be involved. He said driving at that time. I
11 said okay.

12 Q. You know, they tell me that I speak too fast and now I
13 know what that's like. So slow down. That's okay. Just slow
14 down just a little bit.

15 What I want to know from you is when he came to you,
16 he being Mr. McWherter, and he posed this to you, do you
17 remember the exact words that he said?

18 A. No. Not exactly. But in around about, you know, just
19 would you like to make extra money. This is -- you know, I
20 transport marijuana from Arizona to Michigan. Alls you have to
21 do is drive.

22 Q. When he said all you had to do is drive, it sounded like a
23 pretty easy gig, right?

24 A. I don't know about easy, but yeah. I mean, I was willing
25 to do it.

1 Q. Well, I mean by easy, he didn't say you had to tote any
2 guns or anything, right?

3 A. Correct.

4 Q. You didn't have to go selling marijuana on any corners or
5 anything?

6 A. Never.

7 Q. All you had to do was basically get in the car -- well,
8 load it and drive it, right?

9 A. Correct.

10 Q. Did you have any idea prior to McWherter asking you if you
11 wanted to do this that he was involved in it?

12 A. You know he had nice vehicles and stuff, but I didn't
13 assume.

14 Q. By the way, had he been doing any trafficking before he
15 asked your help?

16 A. Correct.

17 Q. Do you know who was involved with him prior to you getting
18 involved?

19 A. No.

20 Q. Well, you know Leshoun Byrd, right? You know Leshoun
21 Byrd, right?

22 A. I've heard of the name. A lot of times we went by
23 nickname. So if you said a nickname, I might know it.

24 Q. Okay. What about Kristie McWherter?

25 A. Yes, I know.

1 Q. Did she know what you guys were involved in?

2 A. I don't know what her involvement was as far as knowing.

3 Q. Well, you know that Jimmy McWherter was involved, correct?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. When Jimmy was involved, was Kristie ever around the
6 drugs?

7 A. No, I never seen her around the drugs.

8 Q. Did you ever see her around large quantities of cash?

9 A. I mean -- no. I mean, between her and husband if that was
10 --

11 Q. At any time whether it's her husband around, whether he's
12 not around, did you ever see her involved in any large
13 quantities of cash?

14 A. A couple of times, yeah.

15 Q. A couple of times. When you say large quantities, about
16 how much would you say you saw her around? Maybe 40,000,
17 50,000?

18 A. Oh, I don't know about numbers. Like maybe 5,000 or
19 something.

20 Q. Okay. But you've seen the pictures in this case involving
21 the vacuum sealed bags and the marijuana, correct?

22 A. Correct.

23 Q. You've seen the vacuum sealed bags and the money, correct?

24 A. Correct.

25 Q. Do you know if Kristie McWherter was ever around any of

1 that?

2 A. No.

3 Q. You don't know if she was?

4 A. I don't believe she was. I've never seen her around that.

5 Q. Okay. Do you know if Jimmy ever talked to his wife about
6 this?

7 A. Being that they're married, I'm assuming. But I don't
8 know their relationship and what they talk about.

9 Q. Okay. So Jimmy never came to you and said I'm keeping
10 this from my wife or I'm telling my wife. He never talked to
11 you about his business, correct?

12 A. Pretty much he was pretty --

13 Q. You kept to yourself with regarding your involvement with
14 this organization. Would that be fair to say?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Jimmy kept to himself regarding his involvement with this
17 organization; would that be fair to say?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Everybody pretty much stayed in their lane, correct?

20 A. Correct.

21 Q. And by stay in your lane, I mean everybody pretty much
22 knew their role. And you didn't go asking him about other
23 people's business, did you?

24 A. No.

25 Q. By the way, at the time that you were involved, were you

1 married, yourself?

2 A. No, I was not.

3 Q. You had a girlfriend?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. Was that the woman that was caught with you?

6 A. No.

7 Q. Because you were with a woman when you got caught,
8 correct? When I say caught, I think it was back in February?

9 A. Not in my vehicle though. But there were a couple of
10 females that went along with us at the time. They were with
11 Jimmy.

12 Q. Well, explain that. When you were actually caught, were
13 you with Jimmy?

14 A. I was driving behind Jimmy.

15 Q. What kind of car were you in?

16 A. A truck.

17 Q. Whose?

18 A. My truck.

19 Q. Who was in the truck with you?

20 A. Nobody.

21 Q. Who was in the truck that Jimmy was in?

22 A. Stefania and I don't remember the other female's name.

23 Q. Was Stefania Jimmy's girlfriend?

24 A. Yeah.

25 Q. So he had a wife and he had a girlfriend?

1 A. Yep.

2 Q. So it was three people in his truck?

3 A. Yep.

4 Q. Why wasn't somebody in your truck?

5 A. Prior to that, like I said, I don't know the relationship.

6 I think they're family members of some sort. A godmother,

7 aunt. I don't know exactly. But at one point, she did ride

8 with me on the way back for a while. And then -- excuse me.

9 We stopped to get gas and she -- at that point in time she went
10 to the motor home.

11 Q. Okay. So she went to get in the truck with Jimmy?

12 A. Correct.

13 Q. Okay. Now, let me ask you this question. So you guys get
14 pulled over. And at that point in time is your heart pounding?

15 A. Yeah.

16 Q. But it had not been the first time you'd been stopped,
17 correct? And you know, I should lay a better foundation. It
18 was not the first time you had been stopped when you were doing
19 something illegal as it relates to this enterprise, correct?

20 A. I don't remember any time prior to that.

21 Q. Didn't you and Jimmy have like some code word or something
22 you would say if you were stopped? Like wouldn't you guys just
23 say you were going or where you were going?

24 A. No.

25 Q. What about if somebody had any question to you about the

1 vehicles you were in, like, hey, that's a nice truck? Or did
2 you have any code words or anything like that you would say?

3 A. No.

4 Q. You would just play it by ear?

5 A. Yeah.

6 Q. Okay. Well, with respect to the time that you were caught
7 that led to your being indicted, did you have any drugs in the
8 vehicle you were in?

9 A. No.

10 Q. Did you have any money?

11 A. No.

12 Q. So what was your purpose on that particular day?

13 A. I was driving back and I had Jimmy's trailer. And at that
14 point, I mean there was narcotics in that trailer.

15 Q. Okay.

16 A. Not in the truck.

17 Q. Okay. So you were pulling a trailer?

18 A. Correct.

19 Q. Okay. So you were transporting drugs that day?

20 A. Yes, correct.

21 Q. Okay. Got it. So you get stopped. And later on that day
22 law enforcement goes to the warehouse, correct?

23 A. I believe so.

24 Q. At some point in time after you got stopped they went to
25 the warehouse, right?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. By the way, did you ever see this woman right here, Ms.
3 Tashun White at the warehouse?

4 A. No, I did not.

5 Q. Have you ever seen her prior to today?

6 A. No.

7 Q. Now, when you went down to Atlanta, you went down there --
8 that didn't have anything to do with drugs. That just had to
9 do with you buying some cars, correct?

10 A. It had nothing to do with the drugs. It had everything to
11 do with him buying the cars. Not me.

12 Q. And when you went down there to buy cars, did you get paid
13 for taking the money down there?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. As a matter of fact, you were in this not for the love.
16 It was for the money, correct?

17 A. Pretty much, yes.

18 Q. So how much did you get paid for going down to Atlanta?

19 A. 5,000 prior and 15,000 when I got down there after.

20 Q. So you made \$20,000 just for being a courier for the most
21 part?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Were you living high off the hog when you were making this
24 money or were you trying to be kind of under the radar, so to
25 speak?

1 A. I was modest.

2 Q. You were modest?

3 A. But I mean it was good. I was good.

4 Q. So there was some times when you would splurge, correct?

5 A. Correct.

6 Q. What are some of the things you splurged on?

7 A. Like snowmobiles, four wheelers, TV's, wood floors, stuff
8 for the house.

9 Q. You said what kind of floors?

10 A. Wood floors.

11 Q. Wood floors. You put in some renovations in your home?

12 A. Correct.

13 Q. During the course of your being involved with this
14 trafficking organization?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. More than 20,000?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. More than 50,000?

19 A. Probably.

20 Q. More than 70,000?

21 A. I don't think. Not that much.

22 Q. But more than \$50,000 worth of improvements?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. Were you filing with the IRS at this time?

25 A. I believe so.

1 Q. So where did you tell the Government you were working on
2 your IRS forms?

3 A. Prototype and -- I believe Prototype at the time.

4 Q. Now, you're aware that during this period of time,
5 Prototype probably made probably all of 5 or \$15,000, right?

6 A. I don't know.

7 Q. But you really weren't getting a paycheck from prototype;
8 is that correct?

9 A. I had received a few but, no, not too much.

10 Q. Okay. Bottom line, Prototype was pretty much a front,
11 correct?

12 A. Pretty much, correct. Yes.

13 Q. Your real employment, a real job would have been this
14 enterprise, correct?

15 A. Correct.

16 Q. So with respect to the enterprise, you talked about
17 McWherter. He kind of recruited you, right?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And then you know that -- you know that Leshoun Byrd was
20 part of it, correct, at some point is that correct?

21 A. Yeah. I --

22 Q. You're hesitating. Did you not have any dealings with
23 Leshoun?

24 A. Is his nickname Gucci?

25 Q. Yes, I believe.

1 A. Okay. Yes.

2 Q. You knew these -- when I say these. You knew some of your
3 cohorts by nicknames?

4 A. Correct.

5 Q. What are their nicknames?

6 A. Gucci.

7 Q. Did you know any Chilly?

8 A. Chilly, Hanky, and D.

9 Q. Chilly, Hanky, and D. Did you know these Gucci, Chilly,
10 Hanky, did you know their real names?

11 A. No.

12 Q. This is not the kind of operation where you'd say to
13 somebody, hey, give me your social security number, let me see
14 your ID. You don't really try to delve into these people's
15 lives. Is that fair to say?

16 A. Oh, yeah. Correct.

17 Q. The fewer the questions the better, right?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. But that's not to say you weren't friends with them.
20 Would that also be fair to say?

21 A. I mean, acquaintance. I wouldn't say friends.

22 Q. Well, when you went down to Atlanta that time, where did
23 you stay?

24 A. At the W.

25 Q. Did you hang out with D down there?

1 A. No.

2 Q. So you didn't -- you knew that D had a place down there,
3 correct?

4 A. No, I didn't.

5 Q. So he didn't -- D didn't invite you over to his place or
6 take you out to eat or anything like that?

7 A. No.

8 Q. It was more business. Bring the money. Thank you. You
9 handle your business and you go back, correct?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. Now, at some point in time you -- it wasn't that you said
12 I'm not going to do this anymore. You got caught, correct?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. But you do remember when you decided to cross that line
15 and say I'm going to do this, correct?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. You don't sign a form like you would a formal job
18 application. You simply -- there's a meeting of the minds, an
19 agreement, correct?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. You knew that there might come a point in time when you'd
22 be sitting in front of a -- in a courtroom, correct?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. You assumed that risk, correct?

25 A. Yep.

1 Q. Did you talk to your cohorts about the fact that all of
2 you might be caught at one point in time?

3 A. No.

4 Q. So you guys didn't say we better stop now while we've got
5 some money and the going's good? That didn't come up?

6 A. Yeah. Me and Jimmy talked about that.

7 Q. Okay. You and Jimmy talked about maybe we need to quit
8 now, right?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. But the fact that you and Jimmy talked about maybe you
11 need to quit -- oh, wait, wait. By the way, let me backtrack.
12 I asked you before whether or not you were married. You said
13 you were not, correct?

14 A. Correct.

15 Q. Do you have any siblings?

16 A. A brother.

17 Q. Older or younger?

18 A. Older.

19 Q. Did you tell him what you were doing?

20 A. No. But he, you know, kind of assumed.

21 Q. Okay. You live with your brother?

22 A. No.

23 Q. And when you were doing this trafficking, you wouldn't
24 call him up and say, hey, bro, I'm about to make a run or
25 anything like that, correct?

1 A. No.

2 Q. I mean, you didn't want him to know necessarily, correct?

3 A. No, not necessarily.

4 Q. Did you want any family members to know?

5 A. No.

6 Q. What I'm getting at is it's not the kind of thing to brag
7 about, correct?

8 A. Correct.

9 Q. As you sit in that chair today, you're testifying
10 truthfully, correct?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. As it relates to this drug trafficking, did you ever have
13 any dealings at all with Tashun White?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. What was that?

16 A. In Detroit.

17 Q. You actually had dealings with her in terms of agreeing to
18 do what?

19 A. Oh, no, no, no. I'm sorry. No, I have not.

20 Q. I'm sorry. This woman right here, Tashun. Not Leshoun.
21 Tashun.

22 A. No, I have not.

23 Q. You've never had any dealings with her?

24 A. No.

25 Q. Thank you, sir.

1 THE COURT: Mr. Gilmer-Hill.

2 MR. GILMER-HILL: No redirect, your Honor. Thank
3 you.

4 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Well, thank you, so
5 much for being here. You may step down and you're free to
6 leave.

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